

Town of Shirley

TOWN CLERK



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Public Notice

Special Town Election – Monday, January 30, 2017

A Special Town Election is scheduled to take place on **Monday, January 30, 2017**, at the Town Offices, 7 Keady Way, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

- One question will ask voters to indicate whether they are
____ For the Recall of Robert E. Prescott Jr. from the Board of Selectmen
OR
____ Against the Recall of Robert E. Prescott Jr. from the Board of Selectmen
Following the question will be the name of the incumbent and the candidate(s) running as a successor for the office, which is an Unexpired Term to end May 2, 2017.
- A second question will ask voters to indicate whether they are
____ For the Recall of Kendra J. Dumont from the Board of Selectmen
OR
____ Against the Recall of Kendra J. Dumont from the Board of Selectmen
Following the question will be the name of the incumbent and the candidate(s) running as a successor for the office, which is an Unexpired Term to end May 1, 2018.

NOTE:

1. You may choose to cast a vote for or against either of the recall questions.
2. Regardless of how you vote on the questions, you may choose to vote for a candidate for each office.
3. If a majority of the votes cast on a recall question is in the affirmative, then the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for that office shall be elected.
4. If a majority of the votes on a recall question is negative, the votes cast for candidates shall not be counted, and the incumbent shall not be recalled.

To run for office, a candidate must be a registered voter of the town of Shirley. Candidates must come to the Town Clerk's office to take out Nomination Papers. Papers are currently available. The Board of Registrars must be able to certify (as registered voters of Shirley) a minimum of 23 of the signatures gathered by candidates on their nomination papers. Therefore, to assure that they qualify for nomination, candidates would be wise to gather more than the minimum needed.

Candidates need to return the Papers to the Town Clerk (for the Board of Registrars) **by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13, 2016**. A timeline of additional relevant dates follows.

Timeline for Candidates
Town of Shirley Special Town Election – Monday, January 30, 2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
Currently	Nomination papers available from the Town Clerk's office on the first floor of the Town Offices, 7 Keady Way.
Mon., Nov 28, 2016	Deadline for BOS to add vacancies in other offices due to resignations (15 days before deadline for Candidates to turn in Nomination Papers to Board of Registrars)
Tue, Dec 13, 2016 5:00 pm	Last day for candidates to file nomination papers with the Board of Registrars at the Town Clerk's office. Nomination papers must be filed by 5:00 p.m. (MGL c. 53, s. 7. - 14 days before deadline for Board of Registrars to file nomination papers with Town Clerk)
Tues, Dec 27, 2016	Deadline for Town Clerk to receive final notice of question(s) to be placed on the ballot. (MGL c.54, s.42c) Deadline for Board of Registrars to file nomination papers with the Town Clerk. (MGL c. 53, s.10)
Thur., Dec 29, 2016	Last day to object to or withdraw nomination papers (MGL c 53, s11 & 13 - 48 weekday hours after Deadline for Registrars to file nomination papers with Town Clerk)
Tues, January 10, 2017	Last day to register to vote for Special Town Election (20 days prior to the election)
Jan 13 - Jan 22, 2017	1st Campaign Finance Reports due to Town Clerk from all candidates (Covers finances for time period of Jan 1, 2016 - Jan 12, 2017)
Monday, Jan 23, 2017	Last day to post Warrant for Special Town Election (7 days prior to the election)
Mon., Jan 30, 2017	Special Town Election. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Feb 20 - Mar 1, 2017	2 nd Campaign Finance Reports due to Town Clerk from all candidates and officials elected (Covers finances from Jan 13 - - Feb 19, 2017)
Jan. 1-20, 2018	3 rd Campaign Finance Reports due to Town Clerk from all officials elected (Covers finances from 2/19/17 - 12/31/17)

Campaign finance rules apply. Forms and information will be distributed to candidates when they take out nomination papers and are also available on the town website www.shirley-ma.gov under the Town Officials Toolbox on the homepage or on the Town Clerk's page.

Absentee Ballots will be available approximately 3 weeks before the election. Requests must be made in writing and received by noon the day before the election. Voters may opt to receive their ballot by mail or absentee vote in person at the Town Clerk's Office.